Category #5:

The Public Comment period should be extended to fully consider the appropriateness of including the EPA DfE program in the Green Cleaning Guidelines.

[1 comment received]

State Response:

We believe that the public comment period has provided sufficient time for comments to be submitted and that we have received adequate information and comments during the timeframes delineated. However, members of our work team have had on-going discussions with staff from the DfE and will continue such discussions through issuance of our response to comments.

Public Comment:

Comment #1:

Finally, because we recognize the challenges with regard to the EPA DfE program as it is currently finalizing its own public comment period which ends November 30th, 2009, we encourage NYS OGS to extend its deliberation period by just a few weeks so that you can fully evaluate the appropriateness of the EPA DfE program for your Guidelines. This we highly encourage as many States and other public and private entities will be watching and ultimately emulating your Guidelines, and thus this decision deserves adequate time for consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have any questions, please let us know,

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